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MOTION BY SUPERVISOR DON KNABE

December 16, 2003

On December 15, 16, and 17, 2003, approximately 12,000 Los Angeles County area students from the Fourth District will attend the premiere screening of the movie, "*Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King*", at the Norwalk AMC Theatres. The students were part of the Operation Read Literacy program "*Reading With a Purpose to Gain a Dream*" sponsored by New Line Cinema, AMC Norwalk Theaters, Variety: The Children's Charity, Houghton-Mifflin Company, Ballentine Books, the Lakers Foundation, British Petroleum, Toyota Motor Sales USA, Southern California Gas Company, ABC Spark of Love, American General Finance, Hyundai Motor American, Air Tahiti Nui, Jeopardy, Abbey Event Services, ABC Unified School District, the New Zealand Consulate General, Newmans South Pacific Vacation, and the Los Angeles County Probation Department along with our County family departments who were instrumental in providing their services to inspire and promote the literacy program vision.

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Using the book, written by J.R.R. Tolkien, and movie as a motivational teaching tool, all students who participated were required to read the book the movie was based upon, write an essay about it, and complete a Webquest. Students of the ABC Unified School District's Cerritos High School, Tetzlaff Middle School and Ferguson Elementary Schools created a website and *Lord of the Rings* Cable TV show as part of the curricular support for the 12,000 student participants. In 2002, *Lord of the Rings* won Academy Awards in both editing and visual effects.

I, NOW, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles does hereby proclaim December 15, 16, and 17, 2003, as *Lord of the Rings* Week throughout Los Angeles County and urges everyone to attend the World Premiere.

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